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Men's Overcoats and Ulsters, perfect in make and fit, grand values in all grades, $5.00, $7.00, $8.00, $10.00, $12.00, $15.00.

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For the little fellows; also Ulsters and Cape Overcoats, handsome, useful and cheap, $1.00, $1.50, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00.

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"Guess How Many Pins."

First and nearest guess we will give	$100.00
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Third and nearest guess we will give	20 00
Fourth and nearest guess we will give	15 00
Fifth and nearest guess we will give	10.00
Sixth and nearest guess we will give	5.00

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CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR.

Newest styles in Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Bows, etc., 25, 50c.

SILK MUFFLERS.

Beautiful designs, latest effects, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50.

MEN'S GLOVES.

Lined and unlined Mocha and Kid Gloves, Jersey and Cashmere Buck, etc. Heavy working Gloves, all grades, 25c to $1 50.

SUSPENDERS.

Christmas Suspenders in Silk and Satines, plain and embroidered 50c to $1.50.

Cheaper grades 15, 20, 25,

PANTS.

Men's Cashmere Pants, good values, $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00.

Never Rip Jeans Pants 75c, $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.65.

Boys' Knee Pants, 25c, 50c, 75c and 1.00.

Heer Bros.

AWFUL

Condition of the Six Day Bicycle Riders.

They Are Almost Idiotic From Protracted Exercise and Loss of Sleep.

One of Them Imagines That His Eyes Are Out and They Have to Be Bandaged—French Expedition Up the Nile River Massacred—A Boxer's Accidental Death—Telegraph News.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

New York, Dec. 11.—The six days' bicycle contest ends today. Several men are in an almost idiotic condition from long protracted exercise and loss of sleep Two of them collided and rolled off their wheels, but were put back by the trainers and compelled to keep going. One fell off his wheel and broke it, but was quickly placed on another wheel and started on his monotonous round. Three thousand people stayed all night watching the test of human endurance. Miller, at 10:15, had scored 2,019 miles. Next in order are Rice, 1,922; Schinneer, 1,895; Hale, 1,821. The best previous record in 130 hours is 1,761 miles by Hale.

The mental condition of the riders in the bicycle race grows worse. Rice is raving nearly all the time. At one time he complained he had lost his eyes and begged his trainers to fill the socks with tissue paper. He next declared that half his head was coming off. When his trainers bandaged his head he was satisfied. Miller is in a better condition than the others, though he cannot stand when he dismounts.

At 2:15 the score was: Miller 2,047; Rice, 1,963: Schinneer, 1,940; Hale, 1,884 and Walter 1,838. The best previous record for 134 hours was 1,819 miles, made by Hale.

Massacred by Savages.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Brussels, Dec. 11.—The French expedition up the Nile, commanded by Major Marchand, was massacred. Only two officers escaped, one being Major Marchand.

The Coroner's Verdict.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

London, Dec. 11. — The coroner's jury found a verdict of accidental death in the case of Walter Croot, who died aftr a fight with James Barry, of Chicago. The medical testimony showed that Croot's skull was fractured at the base from the fall after the blow in the twentieth round.

To Keep Open House,

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Senator Debce, C. M. Barnett and K. L. Hampton, at a conference today decided to continue permanently Kentucky Republican state headquarters at Louisville.

Mrs. McKinley Revived Again.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Canton, O., Dec. 11.—Mrs. McKinley revived from a sinikng spell at 6 a. m. and was able to take some nourishment. The physician thinks she may live through the day.

May Die Tonight.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Canton, O, Dec. 11.—At 12:30 Dr. Phillips said Mrs. McKinley would probably die during tonight. The President is almost constantly at her bedside and has telegraph connection with Washington.

Big Pension Check.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Columbus, Dec. 11.—The pension check for the inmates of the Dayton Soldiers' Home sent today amounted to $109,405, to be distributed among 3,586 pensioners.

Brought a Great Horse.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Lousivlle, Dec. 11.—William Lakeland, trainer for J. R and Foxhall Keene, has bought Hamburgh, the great running horse, for $60,00 from John E. Madden.

They Are Delighted,

The ladies who look at our millinery. Our stock is

Extensive and Complete

And our prices are right. We cordially invite you to

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And inspect for yourself.

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207 Chillicothe Street.

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EVERYTHING in the JEWELRY line. Gold Watches and Chains, Sterling Silver Novelties, Clocks, and Mantel Ornaments, Fine Umbrellas. Silver Tableware.

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We will show these people that give prices what we can do.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 5c, worth 8 and 10c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 10c, worth 12½ and 15c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 12½c, worth 15 and 18c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 15c, worth 20 and 22c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 18c, worth 22 and 25c.

Ladies' embroidered fancy handkerchiefs, imported goods at 20c, worth 25 and 28c.

Ladies' sample handkerchiefs at all prices. They are beauties. All we ask is to come in and look at them.

Children's fancy handkerchiefs at 1, 2, 3 and 5c. Beauties.

You must see our line of silk handkerchiefs, all prices. We won't allow anybody to undersell us.

Men's fancy hemstitched handkerchiefs, our price 10c, worth 15c.

New Line of Jewelry.

Baby rings at 35c, plain and engraved, beauties, just the thing.

Children's rings at 25c in plain, extra wide and extra good quality,

Baby's solid gold at 35c and 50c, others ask $1 00.

Misses' solid gold with different sets at $1 50, others ask $2 50

Misses' gold plate, with brilliant sets at 50c, others ask $1 00.

Ladies' or Gents' band rings, warranted extra good value at 50c, worth $1 00.

Ladies' or Gents' extra wide band rings at $1.00. They look as nice as an $8 00 ring.

New line of Gents' cuff buttons from 25c to 50c. You must see them.

New line of Gents' shirt studs, something entirely new.

We have lots of goods for the Holidays. All we ask of you is to come in and look at hem. If they don't suit, don't buy.

Clemens Bros.

305 Chillicothe Street.

300 Pairs Satin Slippers

In all colors, such as Pink, Old Gold, Blue, Red and many other colors, worth $2.00 a pair, our special price to sell them quick,

99c a pair.

A full and complete line of rubbers for Men, Women and Children at very low prices.

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The Sample Shoe Co.,

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Is largely a case of hat-fitness. A pretty hat for one woman is an ugly hat for another. We study the effect of a hat on your face—on your general appearance and make our suggestions accordingly. Many times our finest pattern hats are not as suitably becoming—and therefore not as stylish looking as those of our own design made especially for our customer.

The Misses Eaves,

Chillicothe St.

COMPLAINT MADE.

Some Canadian Lumbermen Have a Grievance.

DO NOT LIKE THE NEW TARIFF LAW

They Declare That Unless They Get Some Kind of Relief Their Occupation Is Gone and That the Yankees Will Profit by It — No Assurance Was Given Them.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—A deputation of Canadian lumbermen presented a petition to the government, in which it is set forth that, owing to the retaliatory clause in the United States tariff law, sawing could not be continued in the Georgian bay district, and that the Americans were getting their raw material free by shutting out Canadian lumber.

Provided the export of such raw material is stopped, the petitioners say the Canadian lumbermen will not object to any duty the United States may impose, realizing that it is beyond their jurisdiction.

The true remedy, the lumbermen claimed, was an export duty, but failing in that they asked that a regulation prohibiting the export of all logs sawn on crown lands be imposed. It was not asked that the regulation be applied to this year's cut. The premier's answer was noncommittal.

Treaty of Peace.

London, Dec. 11.—The text of the definitive treaty of peace between Turkey and Greece contains about 2,000 words, including two protocols referring respectively to the commercial convention and consular immunities. The treaty amplifies the preliminary peace terms, all the points of which have already been published.

Brazilian Congress Closed.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Dec. 11.—Congress has closed its sessions. The budget deficit amounts to 30,000,000 milreis. Increased revenue is expected from additional taxation.

Flint Bottle Trust.

Pittsburg, Dec. 11.—The Commoner and Glass Worker says one of the closest organizations of American flint bottle manufacturers has been perfected and will assume control of the flint bottle trade of the country within a week or two. Fully 95 per cent of the flint bottle manufacturers of the country are in the new organization, which will be styled the American Flint Bottle Manufacturers' association, with headquarters very probably at Indianapolis.

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J. L. PATTERSON, Editor and Manager.

The Times Publishing company will give TEN DOLLARS in gold to the person composing the most appropriate poem for a carriers' New Year's address. Poems will be received at the Times office until noon December 20th. Each manuscript must be sealed in an envelope containing another sealed envelope with the name of the writer. The manuscript, as received, will be placed in the hands of a committee of three competent judges. The poem selected as the best by this committee will receive the prize. The envelope containing the name will not be opened until the prize poem is selected. Employes of The Times Publishing company will not be permitted to compete. Send in your poems.

Patronize home industry.

The Times is the people's paper. No clique or clan control it.

Home merchants and home manufacturers can supply all your needs with the best of goods at the lowest of prices.

Our contemporaries give more time and space to fighting for spoils than they do in getting news. This accounts for the bum sheets they are getting out.

The circulation of the Times reaches by far more people that trade in Portsmouth than any other paper published. Home merchants know this and patronize it accordingly.

With the leaders in congress and the President against the old soldiers, it looks like their chances for any favorable legislation is slim indeed. McKinley forgot to mention them in the message. The Eastern gold bugs don't count the old soldiers in, in the present deal.

Telephone to the Blade office your subscription to the Hamilton-Peebles free reading room, or subscribe by mail. Regard it as your Christmas gift to the people of Portsmouth. Let the institution be sustained for the splendid good it will do.—Blade.

Has the Blade subscribed anything? Don't advise others to be charitable until you have done your part

The place to buy Christmas presents is in Portsmouth. Patronize your own merchants. Look over the advertisements in the Times and you can find just the thing you want and just the place to get it. The advertising columns of the Times is a compendium of holiday goods. Our merchants know that the Times goes into all the homes, and through its columns place before you the largest assortment of holiday goods ever seen in Portsmouth.

The Cuban question is nothing more than our own question of independence over again. The influence opposing our holding out an encouraging hand to Cuba is the same influence that opposed independence in 1776. It is the tory influence in politics. It originates among the aristocratic and wealthy classes. The common people are advocating liberty for Cuba. Eastern greed and aristocracy held Cleveland in check and they now own McKinley. This class is willing to annex Hawaii because they own it. It is a speculation in which they are financially interested. It's dollars and cents to them. Bleeding Cuba appeals to the hearts of the common people, and not to the pocket-books of the men at the head of the present administration.

We clip the following, referring to the proposed new system of government for Portsmuth, from the Zanesville Times Recorder:

"It will be noticed that the plan is similar in many respects to that suggested by the Times Recorder, adopted by a non-partisan committee, ratified by a mass meeting of citizens, and killed by a newspaper traitor to the city's best interests, two years ago. While it is similar to the proposed Zanesville charter it is inferior to it, in that it would put the whole of the city's affairs in the hands of one political part, and it is more intricate and complex. The proposed charter for this city was pronounced by all who studied it, an ideal one, and its failure of enactment must be the everlasting shame of the yellow dog newspaper which at that particular time happened to be influential with the legislature."

There are two things in the proposed plan that we object to. The origin of the appointing power is too far away from the people. Stupendous evils might exist in our city government, and still we would be unable as a city or county to overcome the vast majority in this judicial district. Keep the appointing power close to the people. If it is not placed in the hands of the mayor, place it in the hands of the probate judge and mayor, and allow the minority member to be chosen from say five men to be selected by the city committee of the party having the minority member. Another regulation says that the board must advertise in one and may advertise in more than one paper. We are opposed to any such law as permits any officials to hold such a club over the press of the city. The provision relating to advertising should give the advertising to the lowest bidder. The Times has never been purchased by any such schemes, and it never will be. The people need a free and independent government. We hope the framers of a proposed better government will not provide a scheme to bribe the press of our city. We would think the present warfare over the spoils of office is sufficient to forcibly present the wisdom of this objection.

President McKinley's frequent use of the pardoning power in behalf of violators of the banking laws has been much discussed. The cry is going up, especially from the communities that have suffered by the crimes of the pardoned bank wreckers, that the effect of this leniency is beginning to be apparent.

In the first nine months of President Cleveland's second administration he pardoned three violators of the banking laws.

In the nine months of President McKinley's administration he has pardoned twelve bank wreckers.

That is, Mr. McKinley's comparative record is 4 to 1.

Here is Mr. McKinley's list up to the present time:

Harry L. Martin, Illinois, convicted February 10, 1896, of embezzling funds of a national bank, sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, pardoned April 7.

Alonzo B. Crawford, Missouri, convicted of violation of United States banking laws, sentenced October 8, 1894, to five years in the penitentiary, sentence commuted by Mr. Cleveland to three years and six months, pardoned May 8.

Henry H. Kennedy, Pennsylvania, convicted on two inditoments for violation of national banking laws, sentenced September 15, 1891, to ten years in the penitentiary, sentence commuted by Mr. Cleveland to seven years, pardoned May 21.

John M. Wall, Ohio, convicted of violation of United States banking laws, sentenced April 23, 1897, to five years in the penitentiary, sentence commuted May 28 to two years, and full pardon granted October 9.

Fred E. Edgar, New York, convicted May 9, 1894, of violation of national banking laws, sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, pardoned June 1.

Chas. R. Fleischman, Illinois, convicted of violation of banking laws, sentenced December 8, 1896, to five years in the penitentiary, pardoned June 28.

Fred L. Kent, Missouri, convicted of embezzling the funds of a bank, sentenced September 7, 1893, to ten years in the penitentiary, pardoned July 7.

Edward R. Carter, New York, convicted of violating the national banking laws, sentenced January 9, 1895, to six years and six months in the penitentiary, pardoned July 9.

Francis A. Coffin, Indiana, convicted of violation of United States banking laws, sentenced October 26, 185, to eight years in the penitentiary, pardoned September 9.

Lewis Redwine, Georgia, convicted of violation of United States banking laws, sentenced January 12, 1894, to six years in the penitentiary, pardoned October 26.

Stephen M. Folsom, New Mexico, convicted April 17, 1894, of making false entries in the books of a national bank, sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, pardoned November 16.

Fred W. Griffin, Illinois, convicted of embezzling the funds of a national bank, sentenced May 24, 1895, to five years in the penitentiary, pardoned November 22.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup seems sent as a special povidence to little folks. Pleasant to take, perfectly harmless, absolutely sure to give instant relief in all cases of cold or lung trouble.

Cures

Prove the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla—positive, perfect, permanent Cures.

Cures of scrofula in severest forms, like goitre, swelled neck, running sores, hip disease, sores in the eyes.

Cures of Salt Rheum, with its intense itching and burning, scald head, tetter, etc.

Cures of Boils, Pimples, and all other eruptions due to impure blood.

Cures of Dyspepsia and other troubles where a good stomach tonic was needed.

Cures of Rheumatism, where patients were unable to work or walk for weeks.

Cures of Catarrh by expelling the impurities which cause and sustain the disease.

Cures of Nervousness by properly toning and feeding the nerves upon pure blood.

Cures of That Tired Feeling by restoring strength. Send for book of cures by

Hood's Sarsaparilla

To C. I. Hood & Co., Proprietors, Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

Holiday Thoughts

And Christmas Expectations

Will Keep Most of Us Busy for the Next Three Weeks.

Yule Tide

Comes but once a year, so make the best of it. Our assortment of Xmas Novelties surpasses anything we have ever shown. Verily, Old Kris Kingle has come to stay with us.

"At Christmas play and make good cheer
For Christmas comes but once a year."

A Pin Hole

In Your Memory

To remind you that we are making our customers NINE Handsome Presents this year. Read all about it:

The First Wheel.

Will be given to the one who guesses nearest to the number of words which will appear in the first news column on the first page of the Cincinnati Enquirer of Dec. 31, 1897. Guesses must be all in by 6 p. m. sun time, Dec. 31, 1897. Every one making a purchase is entitled to a guess.

THE SEWING MACHINE.

Will be given to the one who makes the second nearest guess to the number of words which will appear in the first news column on the first page of the Cincinnati Enquirer of Dec. 31, 1897.

(For Dry Goods Store Only.)

The Second Wheel.

Will be given not to the one who is the best guesser but the best worker. We give to any customer who desires them cards containing figures to the amount of $100.00. The condition of gift are simply these: We will give to the person presenting one of these cards, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. Dec. 31, 1897, having the greatest amount punched out one of these beautiful Bicycles. Every purchase you make get the amount punched out on your card: get all your friends and neighbors to bring your card with them and get credit for their purchases for you, thus swelling the total amount. Remember, any one can bring your card and get credit for their purchases for you A little stirring around will put one of these fine wheels within your reach. Is it not worth the trial?

(For Dry Goods Store Only.)

The Third Wheel.

In our show window in the Shoe Store we have two pages of a newspaper. The one guessing the nearest to the number of words on these two pages will receive the wheel. Every purchase entitles you to a guess. Guesses must be in by 6 p. m., Dec. 31, 1897.

The Five Barrels of Flour.

Second nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Third nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Fourth nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Fifth nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Sixth nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.

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Fresh from Santa Claus' Workshop

ARE OUR DOLLS AND TOYS.—All of "Mother Goose's" Children never presented as many types as our dolls. What an endless fund of amusement for the little ones.

Brownie Dolls, Esquimaux Dolls, Negro Dolls, Boy Dolls, Mechanical Dolls, Baby Dolls, Little Dressed Dolls, Big Dressed Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Cloth Dolls, Yellow Kid Dolls, Clown Dolls, China Dolls, Wooden Dolls.

Holiday Aprons.

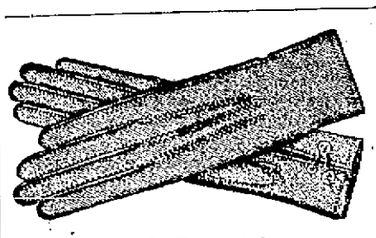
Big selection, from plain white Hemstitched to beautiful creations of Lace and Silk.

China Silks.

In 27 different shades for Fancy Work, 27 inches wide 50c.

Thousands of Handkerchiefs.

"What beautiful Hankerchiefs!" every one exclaims when they see our stock. We have hundreds of beautiful designs at designs prices. Special values at 3, 4, 5, 7, 10c, in nice sheer Embroidered Handkerchiefs. Big Bargains at 12½, 15, 20, 25c. Our assortment is so large it is sure to please you.



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We carry complete line of Men's Gloves in stock.

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At Dry Goods Store prices. We have a splendid assortment at prices lower than any store in the city. Beautifully Decorated Glass Atomizers at 25 and 30c. Fancy Mirrors, very pretty shapes, 25c.

Umbrellas.

Our stock of Umbrellas this year is entirely new and up-to-date.

We are showing some very exclusive handles both in the 24, 26, and 28 inch.

Some very novel handles in natural wood and Mother of Pearl, in 24 and 26 inch Umbrellas with popular tight roll sticks.

Special values in colored 26 inch Umbrellas—in brown, blue, greens, garnets and tan, pretty natural wood handles, covered with pure silk, $2.50.

Children's School Umbrellas, 26 inch natural wood handles, 49c.

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You want the best for the least money. We have what you want, and our prices will suit you.

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The great remedy for nervous prostration and all nervous diseases of the generative organs of either sex, such as Nervous Prostration, Failing or Lost Manhood, Impotency, Nightly Emissions, Youthful Errors, Mental Worry, excessive use of Tobacco or Opium, which lead to Consumption and Insanity. With every $5 order we give a written guarantee to cure or refund the money. Sold at $1.00 per box, 6 boxes for $5.00. DR. MOTT'S CHEMICAL CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

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Miss Ella Dunbar, singing and dancing soubrette, widely known in the theatrical profession as "Only a Bit of Southern

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A separate cure for each disease. At all druggists, mostly 25 cents a vial. Personal letters to Prof. Munyon, 1,505 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., answered with free medical advice for any disease.

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When it comes to the last chance of a pretty girl, she begins to look around. If she is looking for

Feathers, Birds, Aigrettes,

Buckles, Velvets or Ribbons,

We have them. One large bunch black Ostrich Plumes, $1.00, former price $1.50.

Three fine black Ostrich Feathers in a bunch, cut price $1.00.

One large bunch of three Ostrich Plumes 50c.

Three smaller feathers in a bunch 25c.

Green Poll Parrots 50c.

Black Poll Parrots 50c.

Black and White Wings, 15c to 25c.

Aigrettes 5c to 10c.

Cut steel buckles 10c to 25c.

Silk Velvet 50c a yard.

This sale is special for THREE DAYS ONLY.

Ladies' Bazaar,

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Wilbur's Egg

—AND—

Poultry Food.

An article that will make your hens lay and keep them in good healthy condition.

Wilbur's (Seed Meal) Food

For horses, cattle and hogs. One of the greatest foods known.

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A DEAL

By Which a Cincinnati Fruit House Lost Money Here.

Neat Way in Which a Salesman Worked Them for About $80—Sold Goods Lower Than He Had Authority to Do So, and Then Got Possession of the Goods and Retailed Them Himself.

There has been some talk in commercial circles here during the past few days over the "peculiar" actions of a Cincinnati salesman. This gentleman, whose name is Stark, came here Tuesday representing The Queriola Fruit Co, a big wholesale fruit house of the Queen City. He called on The Central Grocery Co., and as he offered goods at bottom prices, he sold them quite a big bill of goods. When the fruit came, however, it was billed at a much higher figure than that quoted by the salesman and the Central Grocery Co., refused to accept the goods.

The salesman, Stark, had remained in the city and he took possession of the goods in the name of the firm. Then he hustled around town and disposed of the fruit in small quantities to various merchants, giving each of them bargain prices. In this way he realized about $80 from the goods—but two-thirds of their real value. Then the slick Mr. Stark disappeared and has not been seen since. In the meantime the Queriola Fruit Co. had been notified of the Central's refusal to take the goods and started a man to look after them. He found the goods sold and he went back to Cincinnati.

BY THE WHOLESALE

Did A. N. Arnold Steal Wheat in Pike County—His Father Lives on Brush Creek, This County.

There is now resting uncomfortably in the Pike county jail at Waverly one A. W. Arnold, who is held to answer to the serious charge of stealing wheat. Mr. Arnold operated on the wholesale plan, visiting the granaries of various leading farmers of Pike county with a two horse wagon at dead of night. He would fill up his sacks, load them in his wagon and drive on to Chillicothe, where he disposed of hundreds of bushels of wheat that came into his possession unlawfully. He represented himself to the Chillicothe millers as a broker. These thefts became so numerous that Marshal Bateman, of Waverly, set out to track the thieves down. This resulted in the arrest and confession of Arnold.

This man Arnold is understood to be a Scioto county man, his father living on Brush Creek, this county. He is said to be closely related to a number of Portsmouth and West Side people, including a prominent county official.

Christmas Presents.

We have Christmas presents of all kinds and invite everybody—ladies and gentlemen—to come and see our large stock of Christmas goods, such as pen knives, scissors, carving sets, plated knives and forks, silver-plated spoons, children's sets, nut crackers and picks, gentlemen's watches, shaving sets, wash wringers, coal vases, fire stands, bird cages and a fine line of smoothing irons, Springerle moulds, cake cutters, a fine line of ladies' and gentlemen's skates, air rifles, tool chests, drums, children's sad irons, toy sweepers and slates of all kinds, rocking-horses, carts and wheel-barrows, a fine line of iron express wagons, toy horses, boxing gloves, punching bags, footballs, exercisers. Please do not miss our store. We will save you money. Our prices are lower than anybody's in town. Come and see. We will be glad to show you our goods and tell you our prices. Goods delivered free to any part of the city.

H. D. OBERLING,
315 and 317 Chillicothe street.

They Go to Lucasville.

A football team journeyed to Lucasville this morning to play the team of that place this afternoon. They had intended to go last Saturday, but it rained.

The team will line up as follows: l. e., Morrison; l. t., Reinert; l. g., Kenyon; center, Stern; r. g., Dodds; r. t., McMahon; r. e., Brown; quarter, Kehoe; r. h., Smith; l. h., O. Dodds; fullback, C. Kock. Fred Armstrong will accompany the team and will act in the capacity of referee. The game will be a warm one.

The Kendall Shoe company always keeps a complete line of shoes.

Is Doing Well.

Letters received from Clemens Yost, who left for Bowdoin college the first of the college year, state that he is doing well. He had to pass an entrance examination, because a diploma from a high school does not admit to the college. He passed this examination with colors flying and now stands very high in his class. Clemens was always in the first ranks in the High school of this place.

Suits and overcoats made by BLANKEMEYER, THE TAILOR, always fit.

Card of Thanks.

The family of Mr. John Molster wish to return thanks to their friends for many kindnesses during the funeral of the late Mrs. Isabelle Barklow, of Columbus.

Revolving office chairs, just the thing for Christmas presents, at Fuller Bros.', very cheap. 9-3t

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Bigelow M. E.

Corner Washington and Fifth streets. Sunday school at 8:45 a. m.; preaching at 10:30 a. m. Topic, "God a Worker." Class, 2:30 p m.; Epworth League, 6 p. m.; preaching at 7 p. m. Topic, "Fundamental Aspect of Genuine Religion." The public is cordially invited to worship with us.

Sixth Street M. E.

Services tomorrow (Sunday) as follows: Sabbath school at 9 a. m.; morning service at 10:30; Junior League at 2; Epworth League at 6; people's service at 7. The Rev. S. D. Clayton, of Dayton will preach morning and evening. As this will be the last Sunday this well known evangelist and preacher will be in the city, an earnest invitation is given all to hear him.

German M. E. Church.

Corner Washington and Fourth street C. B. Rock pastor, F. L. Marting Sunday School superintendent, Sunday school, 8:30 a. m; Preaching 10 a. m.; 7 p. m. Epworth League 6:15 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7 p. m.

First Congregational Church.

Findlay street, between Ninth and Tenth, W. H. Baker, pastor. Sunday school at 9 a. m.; Christian Endeavor meeting at 6 p. m.; Junior Endeavor, 2:30 p. m.; preaching services at 10:15 a. m. and 7 p. m. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Dead Made Alive." The evening service will consist of a "Song sermon," on the parable of "The Prodigal Son" This will be of especial interest All are cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

First Presbyterian.

Southwest corner of Third and Court streets, Rev. D. S. Tappan, D. D., pastor; Dr. C. P. Dennis, Sunday school superintendent. Sabbath school at 8:45 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "Sesame." Evening, "As a Little Child." Christian Endeavor at 6 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting on Wednesday, at 7 p. m. A cordial invitation to attend all these services is given to everybody.

Second Presbyterian.

Corner Eighth and North Waller streets, Rev. S. B. Alderson, D. D., pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m., standard time. Morning subject, "Christ and the Workingmen." All people who labor are invited. Come and hear how this divine carpenter is reconstructing society and what he is doing for the workingman. Evening subject, "From Beulah Land to the Celestial City, or How to Die Happily," the last of the Pilgrim Progress series, the best part of Bunyan's book.

German Presbyterian.

Corner Seventh and Chillicothe streets, J. A. Toensmeier, pastor. Sunday school at 8:30 a. m., Mr. Adam Young, superintendent; Junior Endeavor at 2:30 p. m.; Senior Endeavor at 6 p. m., Mr. Charles Hauck, leader. German service at 10 a. m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in connection with the morning service. English service at 7 p m. All are cordially invited.

Christian.

Corner of Third and Gay streets, W. A. Harp, pastor. Sunday school at 9 a. m.; Junior Endeavor at 2:30 p. m.; Young People's meeting at 6 p. m.; regular services at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "The Church in a Revival." Evening subject, "The Prodigal Saved—How?" A cordial invitation is extended to all.

First Baptist.

Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "Staggering At the Promises." Evening subject, "Three Surprises." Sabbath school at 9 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. All invited and made welcome.

Salvation Army.

Special services at Salvation Army hall, beginning at 7 p. m. Knee drill at 10:30 p. m. Holiness meetings, grand open air, at 2:30 p. m. on lower Market street. If stormy, inside at 3 p. m.; 3:40 p. m., corner Eleventh and North Waller streets; 8 p. m., grand salvation battle for souls. All are cordially invited to attend. The Crow Bar Crew, or the Salvation Army traveling evangelists, will officiate. Come one! Come all! Special services during the week. Monday, December 14th, an ex-convict will give his experience at the Salvation army hall at 8 p. m. A silver collection will be taken at the door to defray expenses.

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Plain and Fancy Cheviots, Worsteds, Cassimeres, etc., $5.00, $7.50, 8.00, $9.00, $10.00 $12.00, $15.00, $18.00.

Every garment is made under our personal supervision by the best of tailors. Well made, well trimmed and guaranteed to give satisfaction.

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Our line of Overcoats and Ulsters this season is our special pride. You will find all the late and desirable materials, such as Kerseys, Meltons, Chinchillas, Friezes, Coverts, Beavers, etc., $3.50, $4, $5, $6, $10, $12, $15, $18. We make them ourselves, which is a guarantee that they are right in every respect.

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Double texture waterproof Mackintoshes for Men and Boys.

Men's—$2.25, $4, $5, $7.50 and $10,

Boys'—$2.25 to $3.50.

Umbrellas for 69c, steel rod, tight roller.

Better grades in Gloria Silk, etc., $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $3.50 to $5.00.

Silk Mufflers 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50.

Handkerchiefs.

Silk initial 25c and 50c.

Plain Silk 25, 50, 75c, $1.00.

Japanettes 15c and 20.

Linen hemstitched 15, 20, 25, 40 and 50c.

Underwear.

Complete stock of Men's heavy Underwear in fleece lined and all wool at 25c, 40c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00.

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All Wool Scarlet, per suit 75c.

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Dress Gloves, all styles in unlined and silk and fleece lined Kid or Mocha, $1, $1.25, $1.50.

Full stock of working Gloves at 25c, 40c, 50c, 75c, 1, 1.50.

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The Leaders. Third and Chillicothe Streets.

VIEWS... —AND— INTERVIEWS

This is the story of a Second street dog. He was a noble fellow, as fine a looking Spaniel as was ever seen in Portsmouth. One unlucky day last summer Billy—for this was the Spaniel's name—followed a neighbor down town. That settled his fate so far as Portsmouth was concerned. He disappeared that day as completely as though the earth swallowed him up. He was mourned long and sincerely by those who had learned to like him, and, strange to say, none professed more concern as to the dog's fate than this neighbor. He repeatedly said he could not imagine what became of the dog.

A short time ago, however, a clue was struck which eventually solved the mystery of "Billy's" disappearance and his fate. It was learned that the day he disappeared a dog answering his description was shipped to a prominent railway official in Cincinnati. Correspondence with this official left but little doubt that "Billy" was the dog shipped to him, and it was learned that the generous neighbor had given the dog to him, even pressing the animal upon him as a personal gift. Some people look upon this kind of a transaction as a joke—while again others do not.

And Billy's fate—well, the railway official wrote that he had died within a week after he had been taken to his Covington home. The dog refused to be reconciled to his new quarters, would not eat, and presumably died of a broken heart. This is a little tragedy in real life.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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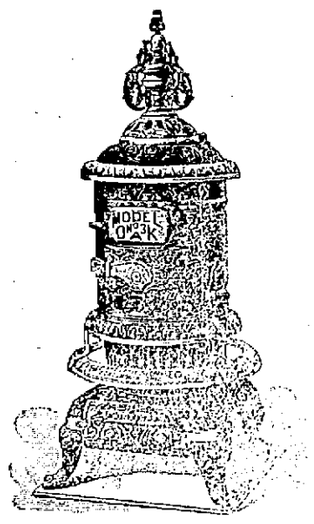
Dr. E. Detchon's Anti Diuretic may be worth to you more than $100 if you have a child who soils bedding from incontenence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. $1. Sold by Wurster Bros., Druggist, Portsmouth, Ohio.



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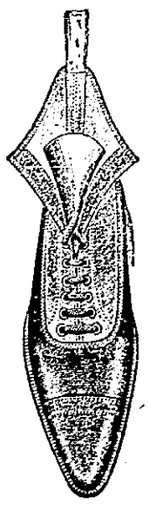
$2.00  $2.00

This shoe was ordered specially for the Christmas rush and in order to get your size come early and get first pick. It is Willow Calf and a Mock Welt. Call and see it at

CHAS. WINTER'S

Bargain House. 509 Chillicothe Street.

NEW PAPER.

Desperate Dodge of the Gang to Injure The Times.

Outsiders Brought Here and Implored to Start a New Democratic Paper.

They Have a Meeting With Hard, Clark, Higgins, Jim Rickey, Tax-Dodger Dever and Others of the Gang at the Blade Office and Are Promised the Court House Patronage and Financial Assistance.

There has been a great deal of talk the last few days about a new Democratic paper being started in Portsmouth. This talk, strange to say, has not come from Democrats. They do not want a new paper. They are satisfied with the Times and the brave fight it has made for them.

The people who are urging forward this new Democratic paper are all Republicans—members of the infamous gang that has robbed and plundered the taxpayers of the county for years. The Times has ever fought this gang and has fearlessly exposed and frustrated many a corrupt deal. Now the gang is on the run. They hate and despise the Times, and in their rage they are seeking to injure this paper by starting a new alleged Democratic paper—a weekly.

The men who have been picked out by the gang to do their dirty work are Dan Eylar, who has been running a one-horse paper at West Union, and R. H. Stevenson, of Manchester. These men were brought here to buy the Tribune plant and shut J. E. Valjean out in the cold. Eylar came to town yesterday and has been hand-and-glove with the gang managers ever since his arrival. Last night, or yesterday afternoon, there was a meeting of Eylar and members of the gang—Charley Hard, Philo S. Clark, Jim Dawson, Jim Rickey, Tax Dodger Dever, etc., etc. The gang implored Eylar and Stevenson to come here and buy the Tribune. They promised them all the court house printing that went to a Democratic paper and some financial assistance. It was represented to Eylar and Stevenson that the public patronage would amount to over $1,500 a year. As a matter of fact the patronage for the past few years has not footed up over $500 a year. The gang must be meditating fresh raids on the treasury and the taxpayers hard-earned money, if they are promising $1,500 a year.

It is understood that at the meeting referred to all sorts of promises of advertising patronage from business men, etc., were made to these new Democrats by members of this political gang—Hard, Clark, Higgins & Co. How do the business men like this? How do they like political leaders promising their patronage to outsiders? Every business man in the city should have the manhood to resent this outrageous action of Hard, Higgins, Clark & Co.

In trying to buy the Tribune Stevenson proposes to trade in some stock in a Manchester bank. He has been hawking this stock around for some years, and if it is to be judged in value by the value of the Tribune, it must be valuable stock, indeed.

This gang is trying to start a new alleged Democratic paper—why? Because the Times has beaten the Blade in a fair, square fight; because the Times refused to be a tool of the most unscrupulous political gang (outside of the Cox gang) in Southern Ohio; because the Times refuses to sit still and allow the people to be robbed and plundered; because the gang see the hand writing on the wall and know that unless something is done their days are numbered and that an investigation of the court house books will lay bare their rottenness in all its brazen forms. That's why the gang wants a new Democratic paper.

Will this attempt of the gang to injure the Times succeed? No, not a bit of it. The Times will be all the stronger for such sneaking, scurvy under-handed opposition. The people admire a brave, frank, open fight. They have no use for fellows like Hard, Higgins & Co. and papers like the Blade that skulk and fight behind petticoats, as it were. The people know that the Times is fearless and can not be bought by bribes of public patronage; they know the Times is not controlled by any gang and they will flock to its support more than ever.

And another thing. The gang will find that when they stoop to such disreputable methods they are fixing up their own death warrants. The Times will live long after they have dropped by the wayside into dishonored political graves. In the meantime the fight against the court house gang must and shall go on, until the rottenness is exposed and the gates of the penitentiary close on some unfaithful officials.

VALJEAN'S FUTURE.

One object of the gangster clique to bring Eylar and Stevenson here to buy the Tribune is that they fondly imagine they will in that way get rid of J. E. Valjean. Fatal illusion! Mr. Valjean, it is said, has found new friends. It is understood that he has practically made a deal with Mr. Huber, of the Correspondent, by which he will occupy a building adjoining Mr. Huber's office, north of the Times building. This building is the property of Mr. Huber and will be repaired and fixed up. Mr. Huber also owns and controls a good printing press, now in the Times building, and connected with power here. The press goes with the deal and the paper will be printed on that press. A Republican weekly in the city goes in with the deal, it is said. And then Mr. Valjean will be free to say what he pleases. He will have his own paper, and if he does not make it hot for somebody, it will not be his fault.

There may be more fun in Rome in the next few months than the gangsters have bargained for—and the music will come pretty near being a one-sided affair, too.

FINNEY SAYS IT'S SOLD.

Mr. Finney stated to a Times reporter this afternoon that the deal was closed and that he had disposed of the Tribune to Messrs. Eylar and Stevenson. They are to take control at once. Mr. Finney refused to state on what terms the paper was sold, but it is understood the purchase price was $3,600. This will about let the mortgage creditors out even. The paper has been running at a loss for several weeks and the creditors were anxious to dispose of it. Valjean will probably come out with an announcement in the morning bidding the old Tribune good-bye. He will not be long without the editorship of a paper of his own.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Levi Dee York went to Cincinnati yesterday.

W. B. Prather, of the Portsmouth Tinware Co., is in West Virignia on a business trip.

Miss May Kalb has returned to her home in Cincinnati after a short visit here. Her sister, Mrs. Kate Calhoun, of Wheelersburg, accompanied her.

Harry Severs who went to Delaware a few days ago to work has returned home. He did not like the job.

LAST APPEAL.

Made by the Association in Charge of the Free Reading Rooms—People Should Respond at Once.

As the result of our appeal to the public November 10th, in behalf of the Free Reading Room, we gratefully acknowledge the receipt of $15.75 from the following named sources, all new subscribers:

The Times Publishing Co.	$5 00
The W. C. T. U	6 00
Mr. A. B. Alger	1 00
Mrs. Lou Spry	1 00
Miss Carrie Stearns	1 00
Mrs. W. B. Grice	1 00
Mr. A. Taylor	1 00
Miss Mary Terry	50
Mrs. H. Ball	25

The general expression of interest in the rooms, and desire for their continuance is also very gratifying, but their maintenance longer than three months (when our funds will be exhausted) will be impossible, unless these kind wishes take more substantial form. The habitues of the rooms are from all classes and conditions, and if they are closed their loss will be deeply felt, from the clergyman and man of affairs who frequently runs in to look over the paper or magazine for which he cannot afford to subscribe, to the barefooted lad who eagerly watches the tables for the appearance of St. Nicholas or the Youth's Companion, and hungrily devours them while he warms his toes by the hospitable fire; all come, rich and poor, and all are welcome. Occasionally visitors ask, "Why do you not take more periodicals?" If they but knew the difficulty with which we have for years kept even a limited supply upon our tables they would say instead, "How do you manage to furnish so much good reading free?" We have the names of two hundred and nineteen subscribers upon our books, from whom we receive annually $219.50—in sums from $30 to 10 cents—but many others must come to our assistance if the work is continued. The money may be paid to the secretary, 63 West Sixth street, or if the names of the subscribers are given to her or to either of the various newspapers which have so warmly espoused our cause, collectors will call for the amount. It now rests with you to decide the fate of your Free Reading Room. This is our last appeal in behalf of the Reading Room.

MARY E. DRAPER, Sec'y.

Schloss & Co. have the finest line of books, Bibles and all kinds of goods for presents.

Three Marriages to Be.

Three marriages are booked for the East End for Christmas. The list may reach four, but that is not probable. A young man who works at the Portsmouth Stove and Range works, a prominent young shoe worker and a widow of that section are three of the contracting parties. Further details will be given about Christmas.

BLANKEMEYER, THE TAILOR, can give you fits that you will not want cured.

Two Lady Hunters.

A West Fifth street lady and her cousin went out in Kentucky Thursday for a visit near Bennett's Mills. They took a couple of shot guns with them and expected to do some quail hunting. They are both expert hunters.

Fine doll heads for a few days at 10 per cent. reduction, at Schloss & Co.'s.

To Be Tried Soon.

The slander suit brought by Miss Hattie Malone against Alice Malone will probably be tried in probate court in a short time. The plaintiff gave security for the costs today.

Once more we have a line of holiday goods that cannot be duplicated in the city.

Amanns' Gallia Street Pharmacy,
28 Gallia street.

Has Sold His Stock.

It is understood that Col. Floyd L. Smith will retire from the presidency of the Street Railway company January 1st. Mr. Smith has disposed of his stock in the company to other members.

Holiday slippers at Lehman's.

A Dose of Lye.

A Buena Vista dispatch to the Cincinnati Post states that a small, two-year-old child of Wm. Roth swallowed a big dose of concentrated lye, and that her life was saved with difficulty.

Getting in Spring Goods.

The Portsmouth Hat and Glove company is now getting in their spring stock of goods. They have been receiving goods for a couple of weeks past.

There are no better shoes sold than those sold by the Kendall Shoe company. It will pay you to drop in and see them and get their prices.

Choir Fund Meeting.

The Choir Fund society of All Saints Episcopal church will meet Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. H. S. Grimes, on East Second street, being entertained by Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. J. D. Bridges, Miss Zella Grimes and Mrs. Ferguson.

"Ye Olden Time" hulled corn is a healthful breakfast dish. Send five labels "Ye Olden Time" and get valuable cook book. SEARS & NICHOLS, Chillicothe.

Guess On The Marbles

They Are Here!

$200.00 In Gold Given Away Jan. 1.

The finest line of Ladies' Handkerchiefs in the City, ranging in price from 1c to 35c. See them before buying You will Save Money.

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Every Cash Purchaser entitled to a guess.

$1.00 SPECIAL $1.25

SALE SATURDAY ONLY.

300 Pairs Men's and Boys' Wool Pants at $1 00 and $1.25, actual value $2.00.

$200.00 IN GOLD

Guess How Many Nails.

$200 in Gold

To be given to our customers New Year's morning. Prizes to be given to the first fifteen persons guessing the nearest to the number of nails in jar in our window. A guess with each purchase. Nails to be counted New Year's morning by prominent men. Nobody connected with our store permitted to make a guess.

$200.00 IN GOLD

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The One Price CLOTHIER and FURNISHER.
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Holiday Goods,
Toilet Sets,
Manicure Sets,
Collar and Cuff Boxes.
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Handsome Mirrors,
Ladies' Pocket Books,
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Mandolins, Guitars,
Violins, Banjos,
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Huyler's Candies, 1 to 5 lb. boxes.

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Pure, Fresh, Clean Drugs.

For Sale.

Six room house, No. 199 East Eleventh street, 42 feet frontage. A bargain at $1,400 on easy payments.

A new five room house, No. 335 East Ninth street, with all modern improvements, will go for $1,300. Besides I have others, all of which are bargains. Telephone 263 or call at office, Ninth and Findlay streets.

J. W. DODGE.

WANT COLUMN.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow. Call or address T. F. Kent, Scioto, O.

FOR RENT—Pleasant front parlor, nicely furnished with privilege of piano, 53 West Front street, brick house. Mrs. Ida Mann. 10-3t

FOR SALE—Soft coal base burner, W. K. Dupre, 709 Findlay street.

FOR SALE—Cottage residence on Second street below Chillicothe adjoining Geo. O. Newman one of the most desirable locations of the city. Inquire of Jas. W. Newman, Central Savings Bank. tf

FOR RENT—Dwelling on East Ninth street, with six rooms and bath room, in excellent condition. See J. E. Jones, 412 Court street. 29tf

FOR SALE—No. 1 red brick at $4.50 and $5 00 per thousand delivered. See C. Wegborst, corner Tenth and Chillicothe street. tf

FOR RENT OR SALE—Excellent hotel of tweety-six rooms, good location. Inquire of Rottinghaus, Market street. 26-tf

Helpful Ideas for Christmas.

Here is where you will find useful gifts—those that will last for some time as reminders. Every article in this holiday display is trustworthy—the same that's made our name famous because of their genuine worth and low prices.

These Are Helpful Ideas.

HATS, CAPS, UMBRELLAS, CANES, GLOVES, NECKWEAR, DRESS SHIELDS,
UNDERWEAR, SUSPENDERS, SHIRTS, COLLARS, CUFFS, MUFFLERS, HANDKERCHIEFS.

Please remember name and location.

FranK Legler,
Hatter and Outfitter for Men, Opposite Postoffice.

Something Sweet For You to Eat,

This is the time when parents look about to see where they can get the best candies for their children and young men think of sweetening their best girl. They should not forget that candies of all kinds, nuts, fruits, etc., as well as candles for ornamenting Christmas trees, can be found at

G. W. HAAG & CO.
Corner Gallia and Offnere Sts.

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Our Holiday Goods Are Arriving.

Wurster Bros.,
Court and Second.

Christmas Bargains.

Books 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c.
Drums 25c, 39c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.
Doll Cabs 25c and 50c.
Wheelbarrows 10c and 25c.
All kinds of penny ornaments for Christmas trees.
Tinsel, 3 yards for 5c.
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Thousands of other things equally as cheap.

Kate Miller.

First Class Trees
And True to Name.

I have one lot of trees from the well known firm of Storrs & Harrison, Painesville, Ohio, and another lot from James C. Bingham and Sons, Russell, Ky. These people are careful and reliable and will tell you that I ordered nothing but first class goods. Come and see the trees, get prices and you will be pleased.

SAM T. KENYON,
Droege's Grove Place, first house east of base ball ground, north side Gallia Pike.

Everybody Praises It

GET THE GENUINE

Facsimile of the back-cloth on the Genuine Benson's.

5000 Doctors and Druggists have signed the following:

SEABURY & JOHNSON, New York.
Gentlemen:—We consider **Benson's Plaster** one of the few household remedies worthy of confidence; they are **superior** to all other plasters or medicines for external use.
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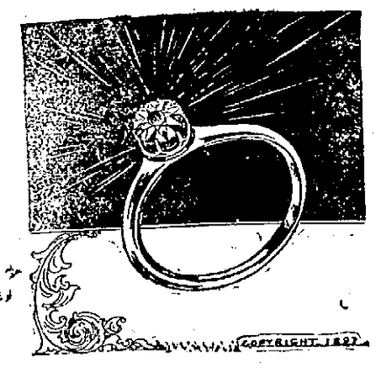
Benson's Cure—
Substitutes do not—
Insist upon a BENSON.

Price 25 Cents



"A Beauty."

This is the kind of jewelry we sell. The value of a jewel is much enhanced by the delicate settings that we make a feature.

A Visit

Here will show that fine jewelry is possible at a low cost to you. We can show you how little money it takes to buy the best.

We Can Show You

An elegant line of Watches, Rings, Pins, Diamond Pendants, Studs and Watch Chains of all styles.

Silverware and Clocks.

Remember our prices are low. 10 per cent. discount on all sales.

Ed. Lee Feyler,
81 W. Second St.
Store Open Every Evening.

SPECIAL BARGAINS

For Saturday.

Fancy California Raisins and Prunes

Only 5c a pound

And a nice present with every cash purchase of One Dollar or over. Will also have Dressed Turkeys and Chickens, Oysters, Celery and Cranberries, Boiled Ham, Dried Beef, Neufchatel and fancy New York Cream Cheese. Give us your trade and save 25 to 40c on the dollar and get a present in the bargain.

J. J. Brushart,
The Leading Cash Grocer

Postponed Till

December 24, 1897,

Is the day

The Peninsular Steel Range

Will be given away. This postponement was made at the urgent request of many who saw this range at the Y. M. I. Fair and desire a little more time to come in on the guessing contest.

F. A. GLOCKNER

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SOCIAL.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Hudson Entertain Delightfully

At Their Pretty Home on Offnere Street, Last Evening, in Honor of Miss Rammelsberg, of College Hill, Cincinnati—Interesting Meeting of the Woman's Literary Club.

Thirty-two young people were the guests at a very enjoyable card party last evening, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Hudson, of Offnere street, entertaining for the pleasure of their guest, Miss Rammelsberg, of College Hill, Cincinnati. A cordial reception from the popular host and hostess made their young friends soon feel "at home," and this same delightful feeling of informality was most pronounced during all the evening.

Eight card tables, comfortably arranged in the three first floor rooms of this cosy little home, exactly provided a place for every guest, Mr. and Mrs. Hudson not joining in the game but quietly attending to those many thoughtful little things which always add so much to the pleasure of the entertained. They were assisted by the attractive sister of the hostess, Miss Edith Doty, who registered the games.

Twenty games were played between the hours of eight and eleven, the result being quite an unusual one. Twelve games was the highest number scored, eight players having that number to their credit—four ladies and four gentlemen: Misses Carrie Eisman, Julia Hall, Lou Warwick and Laura Richardson, and Messrs. T. B. Johnson, Chas. N. Anderson, Chas. Hall and Rob Calvert. In the final deciding games Miss Eisman and Mr. Calvert came out victorious.

Miss Eisman received a beautiful calender, which she at once presented to the guest of honor, Miss Rammelsberg—a very graceful compliment. The gentlemen's prize was a gold stamp case, heart shaped, decorated with a tiny four-leafed clover in green enamel. The visitor's prize, a very pretty jewel case, was given to Miss Weiler, of Zanesville, Miss Eisman's guest.

Delicious refreshments had been enjoyed before the deciding games were played—ices, cake and coffee. In these Mrs. Hudson's skill as a caterer was attested to, as had already been her success as a hostess, for it was discovered that both the ices and cakes were of her own making and of such excellence of which any professional might indeed be proud. They were delicious in the fullest sense of the word.

Miss Doty and Mrs. C. C. Brown assisted in serving the refreshments.

LITERARY CLUB.

The second in the series of "Egypt" programs was in order at the regular meeting of the Woman's Literary club yesterday afternoon, the third and concluding one of this series to be given at the next meeting.

The report of the "Criticism committee," presented by Mrs. S. O. Titus, was heard immediately after roll call.

The subjects and writers of the three interesting papers were as follows:

"Greek Influence in Egypt"—Mrs. Kline.

"Cleopatra"—Mrs. Robertson.

"Conflict Between Christianity and Neo-Platonism"—Mrs. Trenthart.

Before the reading of the papers, Mrs. Royse, of the executive committee, who has this series in charge, read a brief historical paper, which was a great help in this line of study. It covered the lapse of time between the periods embraced in the papers of the previous program and the work of yesterday afternoon.

Some music was enjoyed at the close of the literary numbers, a two piano piece played by Misses Tappan and Eisman.

Quite a spirited discussion on the "Club House" subject was generally indulged in before the hour foradjournment, which has recently been fixed at four o'clock.

TO SING AT BIGELOW.

Mrs. George E. Matthews will sing at Bigelow church tomorrow morning. Mrs. Matthews has studied in New York City and in Germany, and she is considered a very fine singer.

Christmas umbrellas at from 50 cents to $3.00, at Flora Dellert's.

U. B. Church Services.

At the German U. B. church tomorrow, Rev. J. E. Comer will preach in the morning at 10:30 on "The Blessing of Having a Church Home," and in the evening at 7 o'clock on "The Homeless Wanderer." Sunday school at 9 a. m., and Y. P. C. U., Miss Katie Menke leader, at 6 p. m.

Finest line of book cases in the city at Fuller Bros.'

A Church Entertainment.

A few children and young people will give an entertainment at the First Presbyterian church on next Thursday evening. Admission, 10 cents. Exercises begin promptly at seven o'clock.

"A dollar saved is a dollar made." Go to Harris' and save many dollars in buying.

It Is Lovely.

The Ladies' Bazaar, under the deft hands of Miss Rose McCauley, who is the decorator, looks like the bower of a fairy queen.

Lehman's shoes wear well.

For earache, put a couple of drops of Thomas' Eclectric Oil on a bit of cotton and place it in the ear. The pain will stop in a few moments. Simple enough, isn't it?

FRAGMENTS.

An eight-months-old child of Geo. Pyles, of Gallia street, is very sick with spasms and is not expected to live.

There will be no services at All Saints church tomorrow on account of the illness of the rector, Rev. J. D. Herron.

COURT HOUSE.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J. A. Champion to Alberta Edwards, $5,000.

J. S. Dodge to J. P. Rau, $763.

N. Gable to A. McWilliams, 8 acres, $250.

M. Hollman to Lora Samson, $1, etc.

Amos Jenkins to Simon Labold, 242 acres, $121.

Thos. T. Yeager to Josephine Wetta, $780.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Israel Smith, 24, South Webster, and Mary Williams, 17, Eifort.

Jos. Tunrer, 214, Wait, and Lucinda Jenkins, 22, Lily.

Letter From the Klondike.

A letter arrived in the city yesterday for Mrs. Will Seebohm. It was from her husband, who is in the Klondike gold fields and was postmarked at Juneau, November 26th. Remarkably quick time was made, the letter having come here in fifteen days. Mrs. Seebohm had just left for Pomeroy, however, and the letter was forwarded to her. Her husband has made considerable money in the gold reigons.

The finest line of toys and dolls at Schloss & Co.'s. 10-3t

Thanks to Marshal Schmitt.

The watch recovered by Marshal Schmitt and advertised as stolen property was returned to the owner Friday, a Mr. John Schwarzel of Chillicothe, from whom it was stolen about a week ago. Policeman Hamm, of Chillicothe, came down and identified the watch.

Rocking chairs, all kinds, cheap, at Fuller Bros.'

A Royal Banquet.

Monday night after the minstrel show, members of the Cycling club will be entertained in royal style by Pat Doyle. Mr. Doyle is a genial entertainer and a grand, good time is expected.

An inspection of comparison will prove we have the finest line of holiday goods in the city.
Amann's Gallia Street Pharmacy,
11-3t 38 Gallia street.

A Little Steamboat.

A minature steamboat is on exhibition in the window of the drug store of C. C. Seebohm & Co. It was manufactured by Chas. Dammert, a sixteen-year-old boy, and shows that he possesses mechanical genius of a high order.

The Kendall Shoe company has just received another fine lot of ladies', misses' and children's shoes.

Portsmouth Wins the Game

A telephone message from R. C. Newman to the Times this afternoon stated that the Portsmouth football team had defeated the Lucasville team by a score of 14 to 4.

Odd parlor pieces, newest styles, cheap, at Fuller Bros.'

Lehman's is headquarters for wet weather shoes.

Will Meet His Father.

New York, Dec. 11. — Commander Ballington Booth, for the first time since his separation from the Salvation army, has received a letter from his father, General William Booth of England, asking for an interview when he (the general) arrives in this country next month. In reply Commander Booth has declared not only his willingness but his pleasure at meeting the general as father and son.

Bank Robber Arrested.

Warsaw, Ind., Dec. 11.—A man giving the name of George Barnhardt was arrested at Alliance, O., charged with being one of the robbers who looted the Milford bank a week ago. He was brought here and given a preliminary hearing. He was positively identified by witnesses of the crime. He was bound over in $3,000 bonds, lacking which he was placed in jail to await trial.

Indictments Dismissed.

Baltimore, Dec. 11.—The grand jury has reconsidered and dismissed the indictment against F. B. Hubbell and James Russell, who were jointly charged with William J Atkinson with making false returns of the financial condition of the Best Telephone Manufacturing company of Baltimore for the purpose of influencing the price of the company's stock.

No More Prizefights.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—The health and police committee of the board of supervisors put the quietus upon the prizefighting industry in this city for some time to come by refusing any more permits for pugilistic or "physical culture" exhibitions to the big club. This disposes of the Griffo-Lavigne, Hawkins-Conelly and the Smith-Kelly matches.

Important Discovery.

Denver, Dec. 11.—Uranium has been discovered near Black Hawk, Colo. The mineral is worth $1,500 per ton, and the agents of a French syndicate have announced that they will buy all that can be produced, as it is much desired by the French government for hardening and solidifying gun metal and armor plate.

Wonderful Bargains

In Cloth Capes.

We have been fortunate enough to secure a choice lot of Capes away below regular prices by buying the entire lot. These we place on sale today at one-half their real value.

LOT NO. 1.—A Double Cloth Cape at 75c, this cape trimmed with three rows of braid, extra good for the money.

LOT NO. 2.—An Extra Good Cloth Cape, jet trimmed, real value $3.00, our price $1.50.

LOT NO. 3.—Fine Kersey Cloth Cape, trimmed in cloth, real value $5.00, our price $2.50.

LOT NO. 4.—Extra Fine Kersey Cloth Cape, elaborately trimmed with braid. It was an extra good value at $10.00, but our price is $5.00.

These goods are fresh, having been received yesterday, every number a wonderful bargain. A big reduction all through our line of Ladies' and Children's Wraps to clean up the stock completely.

A Christmas Present With Every Cash Purchase of One Dollar or Over.

MARTING BROS. & CO

Guess

On the

Beans.

Everybody trying their best to make the winning number.

Three

Grand prizes given away.

First Prize—Handsome Black Silk Dress.

Second Prize—Handsome Novelty Dress Skirt.

Third Prize—Bolt Lonsdale Bleached Muslin.

JOHN F. STEAHLY,

Opera House Block,
Fourth and Chillicothe.

You Had Better

Call and look over my immense stock of

TOYS AND DOLLS.

There is scarcely a thing in this line that heart can wish for or money can buy, that cannot be found in my stock. Newspapers, books and periodicals.

S. C. STIMMEL,
[Ben. Woods Old Stand.]
317 Chillicothe Street.

The PEOPLE'S CASH STORE.

Just a few more days before X-mas. Where to buy and what to buy is what puzzles you. You want to make your dollar go a long way. We can assist you. Call and see our useful Holiday presents. You will be surprised h w cheap we are selling everything and what a large variety of suggestive holiday articles we keep.

Holiday Goods.

Picture Books, Toilet Sets, Dolls, Photo Frames, Embroidered Linen, Cotton and Silver, Vases, Mirrors, all kinds of sterling silver goods, Hat Pins, Stick Pins, Breast Pins, and all kinds of small jewelry. Perfumery in all kinds of pretty designs, Atomizers, the very latest fancy garters.

Kid Gloves.

Our $1.00 grade cannot be equalled. Every pair guaranteed and fitted at our counter.

Umbrellas.

Children's School Umbrellas, 24 and 26 inch, 45c.

Ladies' Umbrellas, 26 inch, 45c.

Elegant quality twilled cloth, 26 inch, steel rods, 79c.

Better qualities in all the new style handles and steel rods, Satine, Gloria and silk covers. Something new, self-closing Umbrella, 98c. See it in our center window.

Stamped Linens, Laundry Bags, Scarf and Stand Covers in Applique Work, some very pretty and exclusive designs. Table Covers in Damask and Chenille, Napkins, Doylies, Towels, White Goods of all kinds, beautiful line of Val. Laces and Insertings for Handkerchiefs; also Handkerchief Linen. Large line of Embroideries.

Pocket Books and Purses from 5c to $1.00 each.

We make the prices on soaps.

We Are Headquarters for Handkerchiefs

You must see them to appreciate what great bargains we are showing.

Children's School Handkerchiefs at 1c and 2c.

Ladies' Hemstitched Fancy Border 3c or 2 for 5c.

Over a dozen styles for 5c.

Hemstitched, plain and fancy bordered, initial and embroidered.

1,000 Handkerchiefs at 10c each in endless variety of styles, some of them never sold for less than 15c and 20c, but all go for 10c. You have only to see them to appreciate them.

Better grades at 15c, 20c, 25c.

Men's full size hemstitched Handkerchiefs in plain and fancy borders 5c.

Men's full size Japanette Hankerchiefs, silk initial, 10c, the kind you will pay 12½c and 15c for elsewhere.

We are sure we can save you money on handkerchiefs as well as show you the largest line to pick from.

Ribbons.

The prettiest line of Plaids and Stripes. We have them draped in the store.

Ladies' and Misses', Men's and Boys' Gloves, all kinds.

Ladies' and Misses', Men's and Boys' Mitts all kinds.

Ladies' and Misses', Men's and Boys' Hosiery all kinds

We are showing the new spring plaids, strictly correct, 25c.

Ladies', Misses', Boys' and Men's Underwear.

Ready-made Skirts, black brocade, 98c to $6.98, at least 20 per cent. under price.

Call and examine our endless variety of suggestive presents. What is correct we keep and if we keep it the price is correct. Everything positively as represented.

Purcell & Bragdon

Bargain Givers of Portsmouth.

Kendall Block. Above Postoffice.

Special Low Prices for Cash Only.

1 lb new buckwheat	4c
1 lb can good baking powder	5c
1 10c box toilet soap	5c
1 25c box toilet soap	15c
All package coffee	10c
1 lb new barley	5c
1 qt. navy beans	5c
1 gal. best sorghum	30c
2 lb best California apricots	25c
2 lb best California prunes	25c
2 lb best California peaches	25c
3 lb good California prunes	25c
2 large mackerel	5c
1 lb codfish	5c
1 lb wine cakes	10c
1 lb lunch milk crackers	8c
1 lb butter crackers	5c
1 lb oyster crackers	5c

J. J. ORLETT'S,
Cor. Fourth and Court Sts.

Hello!

Telephone your orders for Groceries, Vegetables, etc., to No. 801, as that is the number of the Cheap Corner Grocery.

JOS. H. LANGE'S,
Cheap Corner Grocer, Gay and Gallia

OUT AGAIN.

Tyler, of the Chillicothe Leader-Gazette, Will Start a New Paper.

Severs His Connection With That Paper Forever—Writes a Red-Hot Letter to the News, Scoring His Old Associates —Will Expose Everything — A Newspaper Fight for Blood.

All is not peace and harmony in the office of the Chillicothe Leader-Gazette. Geo. H. Tyler, who has builded up the paper and made it what it is today, has resigned the editorship again. He now proposes to start another paper in opposition to the Leader-Gazette. He is said to be backed by a majority of the stockholders in the Gazette company, who are dissatisfied with the policy of the Gazette as dictated by a little clique of the leading stockholders. Mr. Tyler threatens to divulge all the secrets of the organization, and the public may look for fireworks. The new paper will be out for blood.

The editor of the News asked Mr. Tyler for a statement as to the circumstances leading up to his resignation, and the following classical communication was written by Mr. Tyler, outlining his future plan of action. The Leader-Gazette people may well fear the trenchant pen of the deposed editor.

"I write this in Mr. Massie's house, on the hill, with a wet towel wrapped around my head, after having passed a sleepless night. Hence any blundering phraseology and weakness of expression it may contain, I trust will be overlooked by yourself and the readers of your paper. This is my first attempt at card writing for some years, and I do not hope to have the art of an adept. Whatever error in grace it may have, however, I trust it will make up in its fidelity to truth.

"It is true thast I have left the Gazette office, the immediate cause being the receipt of a letter from Judge Buchwalter, in which he enclosed Mr. Massie's ultimatum, written to him in reply to certain queries made, in which, in substance, Mr. Masie stated that they, the syndicate which he represented, would not return to me my property, or as Mr. Massie was pleased to express it, would not "sell it" to me save for twenty-two thousand and some odd dollars, paid in cash. That they would not sell any part of it, nor would they take any bonds, stock or interest in any company which might be organized to recover or re-purchase it. He had also previously told Judge. W. E. Evans, who had been acting with Judge Buchwalter, of Cincinnati, in looking after the legal aspect of my affairs, that he would not give me an option 'for a day,' in order that I might go on and obtain this large sum of money which I was required to pay down in cash, but that if I would come with the money, he and his associates would be willing to turn the property over to me.

"These facts had worked me up considerably, and after you had called at the office yesterday, I called Mr. Perry into my room, and notwithstanding the fact that we have not been holding either frequent or long continued conversations of late, I told him precisely what you had called for, precisely what you had said, and precisely what I had said to you.

"He kindly accepted my assertion but asked me whether I had not incautiously let drop an intimation to some of the boys in the office that I intended to start another newspaper, and said that possilbly the information might have gotten out through that source. I replied that possibly, in the heat of feeling, I might have let some remark of that kind drop, but I questioned the right of any man, or set of men, to place a padlock on my mouth. But in order that there might be no further possibility of complaint on the score of my talking behind any person's back, I informed him, and in the presence of Mr. Wenis, Mr. Brown and Mr. Emmitt, that these men would right the wrong they had done me, or I would start a newspaper, and when I did, that I would tell the history of this whole transaction, from the ringing of the first bell to the final dismissal from school, and then leave the public to judge who had the right and who the wrong of it.

"This I now propose to do. The paper I may start will be a paper whose Republicanism will not be doubted. It may not be any larger than a man's hand, and it may be issued from an attic, or a coal shed, or it may be, as I hope, a respectably sized newspaper, put out with all the typographical neatness and completeness which a completely new and thorough equipment can give, and combining such worth and value as a newspaper as a competent force, under the direction of one who has had twenty-five years' experience in the newspaper business can supply.

"But whether it be primer or encyclopedia, issued from a cellar or comfortable quarters, it will be too big to wear any man's collar and big enough to place this whole transaction, from the Alpha to the Omega of it, before the public in a way that they will have no difficulty in understanding, and which will manifest an alliance, offensive and defensive, with truth, that will prove a valued exemplar for future newspaper history.

"In this I fancy that I will have no difficulty in satisfying any fair-minded man that, with a property that has paid ten per cent on $50,000 valuation for the past eight years, there were other means available for securing the early and satisfactory payment of a $23,000 debt than to strip me stark naked and stand me on the street bidding me dance under the lash of a slave-driving whip for the remainder of my natural life.

"No man need be told that, with the mortgages they held, they could not have exacted any terms they chose, and compelled the observance of them, whether I liked it or not; and that I might still have retained such freedom from absolute degredation and hope for the future, as would have enabled me to maintain the standing and excellence of the paper, through which alone the success of any newspaper is assured.

"Mr. Massie's statement to Judge Buchwalter shows that there has been a reduction of the debt since they took hold of it of but $1,000, that is, through the office earnings, and this, including the forced collections following an assignment Twenty-two years of this sort of servitude is too much for me to undertake at my time of life, especially when the opportunity was open to me, uninterfered with by these men, to have wiped out the entire debt within five years.

"None of these men will charge me with a lack of integrity, of dishonorable practices, of anything save owing the debt, and of annoying them with mortgages, over-drafts in bank, overdue notes, etc. They will tell you that I am not a good business man, and that the establishment must have a business head. The business head that reduces the net earning capacity of an office $8,000 or $4,000 within a year I fancy the general public may consider an expensive luxury.

"It is a very serious question whether the merciless slaughter of a man who, fogetting all else, even his own interests, in the effort to build up a great party organ, and satisfy the ambitions of his supposed friends, was justified in the search for an achievement of that character. My allegiance to Marcus Boggs and John C. Entrekin has been constant and of long standing. It took me eight long months to realize that they could extend to me that sort of treatment. My devotion to Mr. Massie has not been so unfaltering, though I never treated him unfairly, and have stood by his side through many a hot engagement But not always. Perhaps there is the rub.

"But I have trangressed too long upon your space and patience. The subject is an interesting one to me, and it may be to others who do not care to exist any longer under a dictatorship, concerning which, by the way, there might be vastly more said.

"GEO. H. TYLER."

YOUR LAST CHANCE

To Visit Cincinnati at a Low Rate—Positively the Last.

A grand popular excursion will be run to Cincinnati on Wednesday, December 15th, 1897, from all points on the C. & O. railway. Tickets good going on trains No. 17 and 15 and returning on all regular trains, except 2 and 4, up to and including Thursday, December 16th, 1897. You should not miss taking in this popular excursion, as it will be positively the last we run this year. There is no time in the year Cincinnati is more attractive than in December. You should by all means go. Special coaches, plenty of room. Fare for the round trip from South Portsmouth to Cincinnati, $1.50. For further information apply to agents of C. & O. railway.

Dyspepsia, Heartburn, Gastritis and all Stomach Disorder's positively cured. Grover Graham's Dyspepsia Remedy is a specific. One dose removes all distress, and a permanent cure of the most chronic and severe cases is guaranteed. Do not suffer! A 50 cent bottle will convince the most skeptical.

J. F. DAVIS DRUG CO.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuralgia radically cures in one to three days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Wurster Bros., druggists, Portsmouth, O.

Every Mother Wants.

Chappelear's Bronchini
The Great Cough Cure.
Bronchini Cures Croup.
Bronchini Cures Colds.
Bronchini Cures Cough.
Bronchini Cures Sore Throat.
Bronchini Cures Lung Disease.
Bronchini Stops Cough Instantly.
Bronchini Relieves Asthma Quickly.
Bronchini sold on a guarantee.
Large bottles, 50; small size, 25 cents.
Sold by Fisher & Streich.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury, as well as the adult. All who try it like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without ditsress. One-fourth the price of coffee. 15 and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

Put an end to misery. Doan's Ointment will cure the worst case of itching piles there ever was, and do it almost instantly. Years of suffering relieved in a single night. Get Doan's Ointment from your dealer.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick releif and cure this is your remedy. Sold by Wurster Bros., Druggist Portsmouth, Ohio

BE SURE you get what you want when you ask for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Unequalled in Merit, Sales, Cures. There's no substitute for **HOOD'S.**

GREAT

Handkerchief SALE

Begins Saturday, Dec. 11th.

Never before have we been able to offer such bargains. We name below only a few of the many interesting prices.

Ladies' Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 7c each, 4 for 25c.

Ladies' White Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 7c each, 4 for 25c.

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, four lace corners, 7c each or 4 for 25c.

Not more than four of the above handkerchiefs to one customer as we could only get a limited quantity.

5c for a Ladies' Heavy Embroidered Handkerchief.

5c for a Ladies' Fancy Lace Edge Handkerchief.

5c for Ladies' Fancy Scollop Edge Handkerchief.

Ladies' White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 15, 20 and 25c.

Gents' White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 5c and 10c.

Gents' Fancy Border Handkerchiefs, 15c to 40c.

Child's Fancy Handkerchiefs at 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5c.

Elegant assortment of Ladies' White Embroidered Handkerchiefs from 5c to 50c.

REMEMBER

That we give a useful present with every purchase of $1.00 or more instead of giving you a lottery ticket.

L. & E. Yaeger,

507 Chillicothe Street.

EVERY HOUSEKEEPER Needs us when they buy new carpets, linoliums, oil cloths or mattings, to lay them. We make mattresses and do all kinds of fine upholstering. Carpets cleaned, renovated, sewed and relaid. We are the only house in the city that does first class work. We also make rugs of old carpets.

The Portsmouth Upholstering and Carpet Renovating Co.,
69 GALLIA STREET.

IMPERIAL ROLLER MILLS.

Crescent is as good as any flour made. We make it in Portsmouth, O., and would like to have you ask your grocer for it.

G. FRICK & SON,
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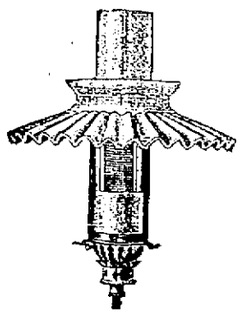

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A SAVAGE ATTACK

Made Upon the Civil Service Law In the House.

OHIO MEMBERS TAKE PART IN IT.

Mr. Johnson of Indiana Puts Up a Vigorous Defense For the "Life Tenure" Measure—Mr. Dingley Makes a Statement With Reference to His Tariff Measure.

Washington, Dec. 11.—After passing the pension appropriation bill without amendment the house adjourned until Monday.

The amendments offered by the Democrats to correct alleged existing abuses were all ruled out on the point of order that they were new legislation. As passed the bill carried $141,263,880.

The debate covered a wide range. It touched not only the question of the pension policy, but that of civil service reform and the receipts and expenditures of the treasury under the Dingley law.

On the latter question Mr. Dingley made an important statement, in which he expressed the opinion that the receipts would equal the expenditures before the close of the present fiscal year, and predicted a surplus of $10,000,000 next year.

The civil service law was savagely attacked by several members, notably by Mr. Brown (Rep., O.), Grosvenor (Rep., O.) and Mr. Linney (Rep., N. C.), and was warmly defended by Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.).

Just before the close of the session Mr. Hitt, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, attempted to secure unanimous consent for the passage of the bill to prohibit pelagic sealing by American citizens, but objection was made. It will, under agreement, however, be considered Monday.

CAUCUS CALLED.

Democratic Members of the House Will Consult Together.

Washington, Dec. 11.—A caucus of Democratic members and delegates of the house of representatives will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 14.

On the subject of Cuba the sentiment is practically unanimous in favor of a resolution favoring the recognition of Cuban belligerency, and the caucus is likely to give expression to this sentiment.

On financial questions the caucus probably will take a position against the several plans of financial reform recommended by Secretary Gage.

There is no present purpose to consider the silver question, as that is not at issue in the legislation contemplated by the Republican majority.

Opposition to the bankruptcy bill is also contemplated by the caucus.

On the question of Hawaiian annexation it is stated by those who have canvassed the feeling on the Democratic side that it is practically unanimous against annexation, either by treaty or legislation.

PASSED THROUGH.

Mr. Cleveland Did Not Visit Any In Washington.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Grover Cleveland, ex-president of the United States, passed through this city on his way to the duck ponds of South Carolina. Although he was here about two hours he remained in his car.

He declined to discuss political or public affairs, but laughingly suggested that he might have some interesting stories on duck shooting upon his return from the south.

He is on his way to South island, about 30 miles from Charleston, S. C., where he will be the guest of General E. P. Alexander, the distinguished chief of the Confederate artillery forces at the battle of Gettysburg, and now president of the Georgia Central railroad.

Wider Treaty Relations.

Washington, Dec. 11.—General J. W. Foster, in charge of the Bering sea negotiations, has taken up the general subject of wider treaty relations with Canada, and was in close consultation with a delegation of prominent fish merchants from Gloucester, Mass. They were Messrs. Cunningham, Smith and Pugh, all interested in the fisheries of the coast of Newfoundland and neighboring waters.

Coal Trust to Be Prosecuted.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The attorney general directed United States Attorney H. S. Foote at San Francisco to file a bill in equity against the Coal Dealers' Association of California for violation of the anti-trust law. The association is composed or retail dealers of San Francisco, and has for its object the control of the retail trade.

More Weather Stations.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The members of the house committee on agriculture have had a conference with Secretary Wilson respecting the needs of the agricultural department, and have been informed that the secretary desires increased appropriations for weather stations in the far west, and also in the vicinity of the great lakes.

Had a Narrow Escape.

Washington, Dec. 11. — Professor Philip R. Alger, one of the foremost ordnance experts in the government service, sustained an accident while examining one of the new naval rifles that came very near being fatal. A cartridge was accidentally exploded while the gun was in the hands of Professor Alger. The bullet struck the heavy iron casing of a window and smashed the half-inch iron, which flew back in small fragments. Professor Alger was struck by several pieces and received cuts, but the most serious injury was caused by a piece of metal which severed the temporal artery.

Conference on Civil Service Reform.

Washington, Dec. 11. — Representative Pearson of North Carolina secured 72 signatures to the paper circulated among Republican members of congress for a conference relative to the civil service law. It was decided to hold the meeting in the rivers and harbors committee room.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $227,966,492; gold reserve, $158,549,774.

Notes.

Attorney General McKenna wants the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad postponed to about Feb. 15.

The delegation of native Hawaiians who are lobbying against annexation called on Secretary Sherman.

The United States minister at Caracas denies the report that a revolution has broken out in Venezuela.

Secretary Gage has decided not to embody his financial views in one bill, but to cover special subjects in a number of bills.

Representative Maxwell of Nebraska introduced a bill "to punish the bribery, coercion or intimidation of voters."

A bill for the classification of post-office clerks of the first and second class was introduced in the house by Mr. Lorimer of Illinois.

Mr. Eckels, the comptroller of the currency, left here for St. Louis, where he will deliver an address Monday evening before the Commercial club.

In the house Mr. Sauerhering of Wisconsin offered a bill to create state trademarks. The object of the measure is to protect commerce from false marking of goods.

The board of naval bureau chiefs recommended that the little Pinta, which has done so much service in Alaskan waters and is now at Mare island navy yard.

The house committee on public lands organized and took some preliminary steps toward the consideration of some of the more important land legislation proposed for this session.

Senator Hanna Ill.

New York, Dec. 11.—Senator Hanna was taken suddenly ill in the Waldorf-Astoria and retired to his apartments. He arrived at the hotel from Washington at 5 o'clock p. m. The long ride proved to be fatiguing in the extreme, and on his arrival he complained of being very weary.

The Deal Consummated.

Baltimore, Dec. 11.—The deal by which Pitcher McJames, Second Baseman Demontreville and First Baseman McGann of the Washington baseball team become Orioles in exchange for First Baseman Doyle, Second Baseman Reitz and Pitcher Amole was consummated.

Mayor Quincy Accepts.

Boston, Dec. 11.—Mayor Josiah Quincy has formally accepted the Democratic renomination tendered him by the recent Faneuil hall convention.

An Assignment Settled.

Milwaukee, Dec. 11.—The assignment of E. A. Shores and his son, E. A. Shores, which occurred nearly a year ago with liabilities of about $80,000, has been settled by the assignee, ex-Governor W. H. Upham, the last claim against the Shores being paid. Mr. Shores and his son are ready to carry on their business again, and will do so as soon as the formal decree of the court can be obtained discharging the assignee.

Trust Almost Completed.

New York, Dec. 11.—The representatives of the steel wire and nail manufacturing firms of the United States, who have for months been negotiating to form a steel wire and nail pool, are nearing a conclusion of their work. It is said that about 20 of the largest steel wire and nail manufacturers will enter the pool, and that the capital involved will exceed $60,000,000.

Thinks Durrant Innocent.

Little Rock, Dec. 11.—Judge E. M. Merriman of Little Rock, who was personally acquainted with and once represented J. E. Blanther, alias Forbes, as attorney in this city, insists that Blanther, and not Durrant, murdered Blanch Lamont and Minnie Williams in San Francisco, and that the execution of Durrant will therefore be a judicial murder.

Twelfth Man Secured.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—The last man of the Luetgert jury was secured, and, although he may be dismissed by a peremptory challenge, the chances are that the jury is complete. The twelfth man is Harry Reed, a maker of telephone instruments. He has been accepted by the state and examined, although not actually accepted, by the defense.

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General Blanco Introduced to Some Prominent American Citizens.

Havana, Dec. 11.—During a reception at the palace United States Consul General Lee honored Captain General Blanco with an introduction to Passed Assistant Surgeons Eugene Wasdin and H. D. Geddings of the United States Marine hospital service.

These gentlemen have been specially detailed by President McKinley to establish a laboratory here for the purpose of investigating the cause and nature of yellow fever, in which work they had previously been engaged at New Orleans.

Alfred Meyers and Baron Barral of New Orleans, delegates to the international pharmaceutical congress at Brussels in August last, were also introduced.

General Rivera Released.

Havana, Dec. 11. — General Rivera, the insurgent leader, who was captured in March last in the province of Pinar del Rio by the Spanish troops under General Hernandez de Velasco, and who was recently pardoned by a royal decree, has been released from the Cabanas fortress, where he had been imprisoned for several months, and sailed by the steamer Colon for Cadiz, his home.

Forts to Be Built.

Havana, Dec. 11.—General Pando has ordered the construction of forts at the fords in the river Cauto, north of Manzanillo, in the province of Santiago de Cuba, in order to prevent the passage of Cubans from the Bayamo and Manzanillo districts into the Holquin or Tunas districts, or vice versa.

Cane-Grinding Forbidden.

Havana, Dec. 11. — The insurgents fired a cannon shot into the machinery on the plantation of Mr. Rigney, an American in the Manzanillo district, destroying the boilers. They have forbidden cane grinding in the neighborhood under threat of burning the cane fields.

Anarchists Expelled.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The police have expelled a number of anarchists and have made many house searches in this city, Frankfort, Mayence and Munich.

No Patchwork!

One of the most encouraging features of a cure made by S.S.S. (Swift's Specific) is its permanency. Of all diseases, it is well known that those of the blood are the most obstinate, and therefore the most difficult to cure. The medical profession, in fact, have virtually admitted that a real, deepseated blood disease is beyond their skill.

Of course, their admission is not made in so many words, but actions speak louder than words, and their inability to cure, after months and often years of treatment, is sufficient evidence that diseases of the blood cannot be cured by doctors. Their mercurial mixtures, although taken faithfully, only cover up the symptoms of the disease, inducing the patient to feel that he is being cured; but when he is sooner or later seized with stiff joints, pain in the bones, etc., the evidence of the doctor's patchwork is conclusive. Such results cannot be expected from the use of S. S. S. Being purely vegetable, containing no harmful mineral ingredients, it is the only blood remedy which acts on the true principle of forcing the disease from the system, building up rather than tearing down the health. No loss of hair, no stiff joints, no decrepit mercurial wrecks result from the use of S.S.S.

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The members of the Portsmouth Cycling club have every reason on earth to be proud of the advance sale for their minstrel show, to be given next Monday night at the opera house.

The sale was advertised to open at seven o'clock, but the earliest arrival was on hands long before six o'clock, and by 6:30 the numbers given out had reached 110. By seven o'clock over 150 numbers had been given up representing perhaps 700 people, as each holder was entitled to have six seats reserved. By the time the rush was over, there were no desirable seats left—in fact few seats of any kind could be had today. Indications are that the "S. R. O." sign will be out in full force Monday night.

The members of the club arranged to have the first dress rehearsal last night at the opera house. Members were late in getting in, however, and so not much was done. The chorus work was rehearsed and several specialties and the costumes were distributed. General directions were also given by the managers and arrangements made for a grand dress rehearsal Sunday.

The show will unquestionably surpass any home talent ever seen here, and be away above the average minstrel show. The music will be especially fine. Those who like a good show should be on hands in full force, and the Times believes the Cycling boys will get such a boost from their friends Monday night that they will be encouraged to give us other entertainments before the winter is over.

SCHOOL BOARD.

Schools to Close at Noon December 24th, and Remain Closed Until January 3rd—Short Session.

The board of education held a short session Friday evening. All members, with the exception of Messrs. Kline, Clare, Knorr and Bannon were present. On motion of Mr. Doty, the clerk was authorized to issue warrants to teachers and janitors for their salary on the 24th, in order that they might have their money before Christmas. The schools were also ordered closed at noon Friday, December 24th, to remain closed until January 3d.

Mr. McAleer stated that bids had been received for paving about the Offnere street building. The board did not seem to be disposed to open them, and a motion to adjourn carried.

BUILT A STREET CAR

All by Himself Did "Hein" Winters—Will Run It in His Father's Show Window.

"Hein" Winters, son of the Chillicothe street shoe merchant, is fast becoming an expert electrician and street railway car builder. He has erected a miniature car, with motor, trolley and all, and is preparing to run it in the show window of his father's store. It is a very neat piece of work and shows good workmanship. On the front of the car is "East End," and on the rear, "South Portsmouth." A track has been laid in the window and the car will be started Monday. "Hein" will apply for a job in the street railway shops as electrician before long.

A Pretty Display.

On display in the show window of Purcell & Bragdon, Chillicothe street, is a minature house, with a pretty green yard and two pretty drives, one of which leads into a tunnel. The house is the ingenious workmanship of Earl Funk, son of Councilman Funk, who is fast becoming a carpenter of some note. The windows are draped with lace curtains and the two stories are tastefully painted. Other parties claim to have built the house, but they did not. Young Funk has rented it to this store for display purposes.

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And He Thought It Would Be 1,500.

Several weeks before the election Col. John Higgins, Simon Labold, Felix Haas and Charley Hard made a guess on the majority Floyd McCormick would have in his race for representative. The lowest guess was 700. Col. Higgins thought it would be near 1,500. When the votes were counted it was less than 500, and as a result Col. Higgins was in for an oyster and quail supper for four. He invited the other fellow's down to Freshel's last night and cancelled all obligations.

You will find anything you want in the line of watches, clocks and jewelry at the store of C. H. Harris, on Chillicothe street.

New Restaurant.

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Time Has Told.

That an up-town restaurant can be run successfully has been demonstrated by that prince of caterers, J. S. Walker, since he has taken charge of the Crystal Restaurant, at 35 Gallia street. His courteous treatment of patrons, and the pleasant and obliging waiters, together with the excellent meals that are always served, make it a pleasant place to go. Many people take their Sunday dinner there rather than go to the trouble of getting dinner at home. We are pleased to see Mr. Walker meeting with deserved success.

Fenton Against Civil Service.

Hon. L. J. Fenton left Thursday for Washington, to be at the opening session of congress. Mr. Fenton is bitterly opposed to the civil service law as construed by Grover Cleveland, and he will join with the other members of the Ohio delegation in some measure to either wipe out or greatly change the present law.—West Union New Era.

Congressman Fenton's Bill.

Congressman Fenton begun work in the new congress by introducing a bill Monday to grant a service pension of $8 a month to all soldiers who served ninety days, and one cent a day for each day's service after that time per month.—West Union New Era.

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Notice to Coal Dealers.

Bids will be received until Monday, at 12 m., December 27th, at the office of city water works to furnish nut and slack, or pea and slack, to city water works for one year from January 1st, 1898. Same to be delivered in the pumping house.
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Choice line of New Embroidered Handkerchiefs, at 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25, and $1.50.

Special 50 dozen Ladies' Embroidered Hemstitched and Scalloped Edge with Single and Double Hemstitching fine cloth at 15c.

Kid Gloves.

Our P. L. in all shades, a reliable splendid fitting Glove, price $1.25.

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In all shades in Glace and Mocha.
Gloves at one dollar and over fitted.
Children's Kid Mittens, at 50c, and 65c.
Ladies' Kid Mittens, at $1.00.
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The great home game complete 79c each.
Spelling Boards 75c each.

Millinery.

Buy a new Hat, the price on all trimmed Hats cut half in two. Sailors reduced, untrimmed colored hats at ½ price.

New Capes

A large lot of Cloth Capes, bought at a closing out sale and offered at much below their value. Splendid Capes, at $1.98, $3.00 and $3.50.

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Extraordinary good values in Ladies' Jackets, at $3.50, $4.50, 5.00, $7.00, $10.00.

G. W. Anderson & Sons,

Corner Second and Court Streets.

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Christmas Present.

Come and select your presents while my stock is fresh and complete. Will, with a small payment, lay aside any article you may select.

Will save you 20 per cent. on all goods purchased between now and New Year's.

C. H. HARRIS,

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Is a good thing to take, and depends on three things, First, the kind of cattle that are killed, Second, how it is cut and last but not least, how it is cooked. Let

Miles, the Butcher,

Attend to the first and second, and if you do your part as well as he does his, you will laugh and grow fat. He has two meat markets, one at

623 Robinson Avenue

And one in

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House Slippers.

There is nothing more comfortable to wear sitting around the fire-side than a pair of slippers. We have a big variety to show you both for Men and Ladies. In Ladies' Slippers we have a big line of Strap Sandals in Kid and Patent Leather at $1.00 and $1.50. Ladies' plain Kid Slippers, felt lined at $1.00 are solid comfort and durable. Our Ladies' Felt Romeo's are the nicest and most comfortable house slipper imaginable.

Our Men's leather slipper stock is larger than ever before and contains all the different shapes and colors ranging in price from 35c to $2 00. Why would not a pair of Slippers make a nice Christmas present?

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$7.50

Plush Capes.

Cloth Capes.

The greatest values of the season.

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Ladies' Kersey Cloth Jackets.

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You must see these goods before buying.

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Holiday Dress Goods.

Black Dress Goods. Grandest Line and newest designs in the Market. Special Prices for our Holiday Trade.

30 in. Black Serges at 12c yd.
30 in. Black Brocades at 12c yd.
34 in. Black Brocades at 15c yd.
36 in. Black Brocades at 18c yd.
44 in. Black Brocades at 25c yd.
36 in. Black Serge, All Wool, 25c yd.
40 in. All Wool black Serge and Henrietta 35c yd.
46 in. All Wool black Serges at 40c yd.
42 in. All Wool Brocades at 45c yd.
40 in. All Wool Lizzard Cloth at 50c, choice line to select from.
Big line Serges and Henriettas 46 in. wide at 50c yd.
46 in. Brocades and Crepons at 50c yd.
46 in. Brocades, choice line, 65 and 70c yd.
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Men's regular 25c Japanette Hdkf. with beautiful Silk initial extra large size at 12½c each.
Men's regular 35c Japanette Hdkf. with beautiful Silk initial extra large and fine quality at 18c.
Ladies' Japanette Hdkfs. Silk initial, regular 20c quality at 10c each.
Ladies' Silk initial Hdkfs., fine quality at 15c each.
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